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NPIC/IEG (7/83)
28 JULY 1983MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER BATTALIONS
LA PAZ TRAINING AREA, NICARAGUA (SWN)

[REDACTED]

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: AN ADDITIONAL BM-21 MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER (MRL) BATTALION (BN) HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED IN NICARAGUA. (SWN)

2. REMARKS: IMAGERY [REDACTED] REVEALED A SECOND BM-21 MRL BATTALION AT LA PAZ TRAINING AREA. TWENTY-TWO BM-21 MRL WERE PARKED AT THE TRAINING AREA. NICARAGUAN MRL UNITS ARE PROBABLY ORGANIZED SIMILARLY TO CUBAN MRL BN WHICH HAVE THREE BATTERIES OF FOUR MRL PER BN. NINE TO 12 BM-21 MRL HAVE BEEN OBSERVED AT THE TRAINING AREA [REDACTED] (SWN)

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IN ADDITION TO THE BM-21 MRL, TWELVE 122MM HOWITZER D-30 AND 27 W-50 CARGO TRUCKS WERE IN THE TRAINING AREA [REDACTED] (SWN)

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PREVIOUSLY ONLY ONE MRL BN HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED IN NICARAGUA. IT IS NORMALLY HOUSED AT THE CUAJACHILLO MILITARY BARRACKS [REDACTED] IN MANAGUA. LA PAZ TRAINING AREA IS APPROXIMATELY 26 NM NORTH-NORTHWEST OF MANAGUA. (SWN) [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 12-33-26N 086-29-19W (S)

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